THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) to (e) The question of filling up of direct recruitment vacancies arising after 31.3.2006 is under consideration of the Government.

Corruption in Bureaucracy

†2789. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that being no provision for accountability amongst the Indian bureaucrats, corruption and negligence are on the increase;

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto; and

(c) the efforts taken by Government to instill a feeling of accountability amongst the bureaucrats?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) Government officials are required to discharge their duties according to the prescribed rules, regulations and government instructions and violation thereof may invite disciplinary action.

Facilities given by MNCs

†2790. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that handsome pay, attractive perks and promotion avenues by the multinational companies, foreign agencies and private companies, are adversely affecting morale of the Central Government officers and employees;

(b) if so, whether efficient offices and employees are leaving Government jobs;

(c) whether Government have taken a decision to constitute the sixth Pay Commission; if so, by when it would be constituted; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(d) whether Government would instruct the proposed Pay Commission to consider making pay, promotions, and facilities attractive to retain competitiveness and quality amongst its employees?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) to (d) Government is aware of the fact that differences exist in the pay package etc. between private sector companies including multinational companies and Central Government employees. Government provide facilities like free health care, subsidized housing and liberal retrial benefits in addition to the salary and these facilities including salaries are periodically reviewed by the Pay Commissions. The Pay Commissions while making recommendations taken into account various aspects including the compensation package available outside the Government. Steps have already been initiated to constitute the Sixth pay Commission.

Status of Volksswagen Case

2791. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of Volkswagen case being handled by CBI in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether the CBI is hopeful of coming out with another major breakthrough soon;

(c) if so, the efforts being made by Government in this regard;

(d) the evidence so collected from the foreign country so far; and

(e) the likely date of completing the case?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) to (e) A case has been registered by CBI under Section 406, 420 and 120-B of IPC. Based on investigations so far, Red Corner Notices in respect of two accused have been got issued by the Interpol.

Parallel Health Insurance Scheme

2792. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to introduce a paralled health insurance